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INFORMATION PAPER

SUBJECT: Hardship Duty Pay-Location (HDP-L)

1. PURPOSE. To inform soldiers and commands about HDP-L.
2. BOTTOM LINE. Effective 1 Jan 01, Phase II HDP-L is payable to active and reserve component officers and enlisted soldiers at the rate of \$50, \$100, \$150 per month. Currently, the only locations within USAREUR designated as Phase II HDP-L areas are Hungary (with the exception of Budapest), at the rate of \$50 per month, and Bulgaria (Sofia, \$100; Other locations, \$50).
3. DISCUSSION.
 - a. Effective 1 Jan 01, Phase II HDP-L replaced Phase I HDP-L (formerly Foreign Duty/Certain Places Pay (FD/CPP)) and is payable to soldiers at a rate of \$50, \$100, \$150 per month while performing duty within areas designated as an Phase II HDP-L area. See the Phase II [HDP-L Table](#) for a current listing of designated areas.
 - b. Enlisted soldiers currently receiving Phase I HDP-L at a rate of \$8.00 - \$22.50 per month are grandfathered and will continue to receive it until 31 Dec 01 or upon redeployment, whichever occurs first. Enlisted soldiers who deploy to an area that received Phase I HDP-L prior to 1 Jan 01 are also entitled to Phase I HDP-L at the old rate of \$8.00 - \$22.50 per month until 31 Dec 01.
 - c. Soldiers TCS/TDY to designated areas are not eligible for Phase II HDP-L during the first 30 days of consecutive duty in the area. On the 31st day, Phase II HDP-L is payable to the soldiers retroactive to the date soldiers report for duty in the designated area. Soldiers qualified for Phase II HDP-L who are sent TDY for over 30 days to another Phase II HDP-L designated area are entitled to the higher of the two rates during the first 30 days at the new location.
 - d. Soldiers permanently assigned to designated areas are eligible for Phase II HDP-L from the day of arrival at the new station. This entitlement terminates the day soldiers depart for permanent reassignment to a non-designated area.
 - e. For areas that have not been designated as a Phase II HDP-L area, the EUCOM commander must request designation consideration by submitting a [DoD Hardship Duty Location Assessment Questionnaire](#). Changes in HDP-L designations and rate determinations shall be based primarily on information taken from the questionnaire.

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